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Mr. William J. Taylor
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RE: **APPROVAL - RTC ON THE DRAFT A9PIII AOL EXCAVATION PLAN, PART ONE, REV. B**

Dear Mr. Taylor:

Ohio EPA has reviewed DOE's submittal on the, "Transmittal of Responses to Ohio Environmental Protection Agency Comments on the Draft Area 9, Phase III Abandoned Outfall Line Excavation Plan, Part One, Revision B" received on August 12, 2004. Ohio EPA approves this document.

Should you have any questions, please contact Michelle Waller or me.

Sincerely,

Michelle Waller
for

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